

ANJALI PAREKH PRAKASH

EDUCATION

GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY LAW CENTER, L.L.M. in Advocacy, Fall 2019

NEW YORK UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, J.D., May 1998, *cum laude*

Honors: *New York University Law Review*, Staff Editor

Publication: Note, "Changing the Rules: A Retroactivity Analysis of Legal Restrictions on Relief from Deportation," 72 *New York University Law Review* 1420 (1997)

Activities: 1996 Summer Law Teaching Seminar; Legal Aid Society, Juvenile Rights Division; Law Women; South Asian Law Students Association, Admissions Chair

THE UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT, B.A. in English, May 1993, *summa cum laude*

Honors: Phi Beta Kappa

Ranked 3rd among 871 graduates in College of Arts & Sciences

Awarded full academic merit scholarship covering 100% tuition, room & board

Thesis: "From Shantih to still-point: Hindu Philosophy and Thought in T.S. Eliot's Work"

Activities: Semester in Spain studying literature at La Universidad Autonoma de Madrid
Staff Writer on *Connecticut Daily Campus*

JUDICIAL CLERKSHIPS

THE HONORABLE KERMIT V. LIPEZ, Portland, ME

Fall 2001 – Fall 2002

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FIRST CIRCUIT

Law Clerk

THE HONORABLE NATHANIEL M. GORTON, Worcester, MA

Fall 1998 – Fall 1999

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT, DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

Law Clerk

LAW TEACHING EXPERIENCE

WASHINGTON COLLEGE OF LAW, AMERICAN UNIVERSITY, Washington, DC

Jul 2025 – present

Assistant Professor of Legal Rhetoric

Teach Legal Research and Writing (LRW) (an intensive first-year course on foundational skills in legal writing, research and advocacy) to 45+ students each year across two class sections. Collaborate with other Legal Rhetoric full-time faculty to implement expansive curriculum around client-centered representation. Mentor students on career advice, course selection, client-centered problem solving, and professional identity formation. Supervise and mentor Dean's Fellows in their role as my teaching assistants.

Adjunct Associate Professor, Legal Rhetoric

August 2020 – May 2023

2022 WCL Adjunct Faculty Teaching Award Recipient: One adjunct law professor selected each year from 150+ adjuncts across the law school.

HOWARD UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, Washington, DC

July 2023 – June 2025

Assistant Professor of Lawyering Skills

Taught required course in legal writing and research (including predictive writing, persuasive writing, legal analysis, and oral advocacy) to first-year law students. Taught appellate advocacy course to second-year law students. Supervised and mentored Dean's Fellows in their role as my teaching assistants. Mentored students on career advice, course selection, client-centered representation, and professional identity formation.

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL, Washington, DC

July 2019 – June 2020

Visiting Professor of Law, Fundamentals of Lawyering

Taught Fundamentals of Lawyering (FL), a required course in legal writing and research, to 46 first-year law students across three class sections (meeting each section twice a week, three hours weekly). Collaborated with other full-time FL faculty colleagues to implement expansive curriculum around client-centered representation. Mentored and coached students, including meeting with students individually, reviewing student resumes, advising students on career planning, and providing recommendation letters. Supervised and mentored Dean's Fellows who served as my FL teaching assistants. Served as Faculty Advisor for Inns of Court, a professional development program for law students.

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CURRICULUM VITAE

GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY LAW CENTER, Washington, DC

August 2017 – June 2019

APPELLATE LITIGATION PROGRAM

Supervising Attorney and Clinical Teaching Fellow

Supervised 3L law students on appellate case work, including client communications and case strategy. Reviewed and revised student drafts of appellate briefs. Supervised student in drafting petition for writ of certiorari to the U.S. Supreme Court. Co-taught appellate advocacy seminar. Collaborated with Faculty Director on weekly seminar assignments and class communications. Spearheaded clinic's hiring process of teaching fellows, including interviewing candidates. Participated in *Elements of Clinical Pedagogy*, a seminar (taught by Georgetown Law clinical faculty) to train clinical law teachers.

**LAW PRACTICE
EXPERIENCE**

CHILDREN'S LAW CENTER, Washington, DC

February 2017 – May 2017

Policy Attorney

Served as independent consultant with expertise in special education law during budget season. Advocated with DC government agencies and DC Council to improve special education services and supports for the District's most vulnerable children and families. Drafted testimony on behalf of the Children's Law Center for DC Council Budget agency hearings, including hearings involving the District of Columbia Public Schools and the Office of State Superintendent of Education. Analyzed budget documents to determine areas of need and areas left unserved from prior budget cycles.

PRAKASH LAW LLC, Bethesda, MD

October 2011 – June 2017

Owner and Attorney, Special Education Law Practice

Represented disabled children and their families in District of Columbia and Maryland to secure an appropriate education under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act (IDEA). Responsible for assisting clients through IDEA special education process, advocating on their behalf at Individualized Education Program (IEP) meetings. Reviewed IEPs and analyze evaluations to assess whether proposed educational program appropriately addresses child's needs. Drafted legal pleadings, including summary judgment memoranda, closing briefs, and dispositive motions. Represented clients in administrative due process hearings.

MICHAEL J. EIG & ASSOCIATES, Chevy Chase, MD

January 2009 – April 2011

Associate Attorney

Represented disabled children and their families to secure an appropriate education under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act (IDEA). Responsible for assisting clients through IDEA special education process, advocating on their behalf at Individualized Education Program (IEP) meetings. Reviewed IEPs and analyzed evaluations to assess whether proposed educational program appropriately addressed child's needs. Drafted legal pleadings, including summary judgment memoranda, closing briefs, and dispositive motions. Handled various aspects of preparation for administrative due process hearings, including drafting hearing requests, legal briefs, and settlement strategy memoranda, developing facts, researching case law, and preparing witnesses.

CITY OF CAMBRIDGE LAW DEPARTMENT, Cambridge, MA

April 2004 – December 2005

Assistant City Solicitor

Represented municipality in both litigation and transactional matters. Litigation experience includes employment disputes, personal injury, zoning, construction law. First-chaired jury trial in personal injury case to obtain favorable jury verdict. Responsible for all aspects of motion practice, including drafting briefs and dispositive motions and conducting discovery. Analyzed and researched statutes and case law to draft opinion letters for city council members and other city officials.

FOLEY, HOAG & ELIOT LLP, Boston, MA

January 2000 – May 2001

Labor & Employment/Litigation Associate

September 2002 – March 2004

Represented individual and corporate clients in various matters, including disputes involving claims of race discrimination, wrongful termination, and breach of employment contract and collective bargaining disputes. Conducted and defended depositions in race discrimination MCAD proceeding. Drafted discovery and dispositive motions and accompanying memoranda. Advised employers on compliance

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with state and federal employment laws. Successfully represented *pro bono* client in asylum hearing before immigration judge and obtained grant of political asylum on client's behalf.

WASHINGTON SQUARE LEGAL SERVICES, New York, NY Fall 1997 – Spring 1998
Civil Rights Clinic

Initiated section 1983 class action on behalf of female inmates at New York State correctional facilities to enjoin male correction officers from pat frisking female inmates. Researched case law to make critical strategy decisions, including choice of forum and law. Interviewed inmates to draft complaint detailing their experiences with cross-gender pat frisks.

HOWARD RICE NEMEROVSKI CANADY FALK & RABKIN, San Francisco, CA Summer 1997
Summer Associate

Drafted portions of pre-trial memorandum in support of class action brought on behalf of gays in military. Researched case law for pro bono Title VII class action.

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, Boston, MA Fall 1993 – Fall 1995
Environmental Protection Division Paralegal

Researched case law and analyzed corporate histories to aid assistant attorneys general in liability actions against potentially responsible parties under hazardous waste cleanup laws. Handled public inquiries regarding environmental laws. Collaborated with community groups on urban justice issues.

PRESENTATIONS

The Start-Up of You: An Entrepreneurial Framework to Professional Identity Formation. American Association of Law Schools, Scholars' Workshop for New Voices in Legal Writing, January 2023 (San Diego, CA)

Teaching Dissents: Disrupting Norms, Deepening Critical Analysis, and Empowering Students, co-presenter, 2025 Capital Area Legal Writing Conference, May 2025 (Washington, DC)

BAR ADMISSIONS

District of Columbia, Maryland, Massachusetts (inactive currently), United States Supreme Court, United States District Court for the District of Columbia, United States Courts of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit (inactive currently), the Fourth Circuit, and the D.C. Circuit

COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

Editorial Board member, Legal Writing Institute, *The Second Draft*, Jan 2022 – present.

Committee Member, 2023-24 Awards Committee of AALS Section on Legal Writing, Reasoning, and Research.

Member, Council of Parent Advocates and Attorneys (COPAA), 2009 – 2017.

Advisory Board Member, UConn College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, 2016 – 2020.

Board Member, Washington Independent Services for Educational Resources (WISER), 2014-2017.

Special Education Attorney on appointed CCAN Panel for the DC Superior Court, 2013-2017.

Member, DC Special Education Attorney Roundtable, 2011 – 2017.

Board Member of Girls' LEAP (2000 – 2006), a non-profit empowering girls with self-defense skills.

Board Chair, Write to Right, Inc, a non-profit empowering under-resourced communities to forge a positive relationship with creative writing, Nov 2023 - present.

OTHER

Interests include cycling, running, reading fiction, and adventure travel.